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Timely Tidbits ...

Bargains Galore!

The City-wide No-fee Yardsale Weekend – which began Thursday, May 29 – will continue through Sunday, June 1. A complete list of sale sites can be found on page 3.

Vote June 9

Besides choosing two people to serve on the Romulus Board of Education (see article at right), many voters participating in the Romulus Schools election on Monday, June 9, will also decide the fate of a proposed City Charter amendment that would increase City elected officials' terms from two to four years.

Workers Wanted

The Romulus City Clerk's office is looking to hire "inspectors" for elections to be held Monday, June 9, and Tuesday, June 17 (hours: 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. each day). To qualify as an inspector, a person must be a registered voter and have his/her own transportation. Apply at the City Clerk's office in Romulus City Hall (11111 South Wayne Road at Goddard). For information, call 942-7540.

Basham vs. Butkowski

Voters from the Michigan House of Representative's 22nd District (encompassing the cities of Romulus and Taylor) who cast their ballot in the primary election held on Tuesday, May 20, chose Taylor City Councilman Raymond Basham as the Democratic candidate who will go on to face Republican Rick Butkowski in the general election set for Tuesday, June 17. Unofficial results had Basham receiving 1,728 votes (416 in Romulus; 1,312 in Taylor), followed by Wayne Avery with 1,390 (226 in Romulus; 1,312 in Taylor), Kevin McGuckin with 742 (67 in Romulus; 675 in Taylor), Susan Cislo with 363 (133 in Romulus; 230 in Taylor), and Edward Mulka with 74 (9 in Romulus; 65 in Taylor). Butkowski received a total of 301 votes (84 in Romulus; 217 in Taylor) as the sole Republican.

3 Will Compete for 2 Board of Education Seats

On Monday, June 9, residents of the Romulus Community Schools district will choose from among three candidates – Kenneth E. Berlinn, Johnnie Cofield, and Eva Webb – to serve on the Romulus Board of Education for the next four years.

Ken Berlinn

As the only incumbent running in this election, Berlinn emphasizes the benefits of his extensive experience. With the exception of one year, he has been a member of the Board of Education since 1981, and has held the offices of Secretary, Vice President, and (his current position) President. He has also represented the Board as a member of the Wayne County Association of School Boards' Executive Committee and the Michigan Association of School Boards' Legislation Relations Network.

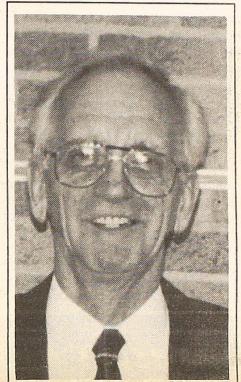
Of all his accomplishments as a School Board member, Berlinn is most proud of helping to bring technology to the district.

"Few districts in the United States have integrated computers and technology into their educational programs as thoroughly as Romulus has," he explains. "Because this technology is such a versatile teaching tool, and because students' daily exposure to it is making them proficient in its use, we are giving our young people an important advantage that they will take with them into adulthood."

Berlinn hopes that voters will reaffirm their confidence in him so that he can continue to work toward the educational success of Romulus students.

The Ford Motor Company retiree and his wife Rosalie have been married 30 years, and attend St. Stephen Church in New Boston. All three of their daughters — Denise, Marian, and Laurie — attended Romulus schools from kindergarten through high-school graduation.

Berlinn's history of community service includes membership on the City continued on page 14



Kenneth E. Berlinn

RHS Students Receive Honors, Scholarships



Valedictorian Yolanda Buffington (left) and salutatorian Tiffany Kerekes.

Yolanda Buffington, valedictorian of Romulus High School's Class of 1997, and Tiffany Kerekes, salutatorian, were only two of many students honored at the school's annual Awards Night, held on Wednesday, May 14.

Students were recognized for a variety of academic, athletic, and artistic achievements; quite a few were awarded scholarships, as well.

Among those receiving honors and/ or scholarships at the ceremony were the following:

Honor Students

Quaylynn Barden, Martine Barwi-

kowski, Bradley Bennett, Carly Brown, Tamekia Brown, Yolanda Buffington, Kelly Callison, Kristy Carroll, Nathan Devine, Sean Dick, Shannon Dugan, Mellissa Evans, Lisa Evitts, Tiffany Faison, Brett Gibbs, Akida Gill, Melissa Gunn, William Hamby, Michael Hatfield, Asia Hellum, Gwendolyn Hemmingway, Ryan Hicks, Brian Holbrook, Sara Hudson, Andrew Imielowski, Josiah Joiner, Roger Kehn, Tiffany Kerekes, Ameerah Khalifa, Cynthia King, René Koennecke, Erika Lachcik, Joseph Lambert, Robert Lazere, Donna Lee, Myra Lockhart, Sarah Lorenz, Melissa Lukofsky, Marie

Madison, Kellie Massey, Bryant McCauley, Monica Moore, Ronald Odell, Mandi Onufer, Melissa Plave, Ebony Sandusky, Rebecca Shelby, Casey Smith, Sheila Sobocinski, Troy Thompson, Melanie Tomchick, Kionta Turrentine, Lisa Wands, and Rahman Woods.

Department Awards

Lewis Atkins (Physical Education, Male), Jessi Brohl (Business), Yolanda Buffington (All-around Science; Bausch & Lomb; French), Kelly Callison (Journalism), Nathan Devine (English), Shannon Dugan (Dance), Melissa Gunn (Journalism), William Hamby (Band), Michael Hatfield (Yearbook), Kena Henley (Home Economics), Sara Hudson (Band), Melladonna Jones (Home Economics), Tiffany Kerekes (Accounting), Theodore Kesner (Art), Ameerah Khalifa (Creative Writing; Math), René Koennecke (Physics), Kathryn Kraft (Yearbook), Joseph Lambert (Industrial Technology), Melissa Lindquist (Choir), Myra Lockhart (Biology), Bryant McCauley (English), Renata Orr (Choir), Sonya Rush (Band), Ebony Sandusky (Creative Writing; Social Studies), Melanie Tomchick (Chemistry; Physical Education, Female), and Rahman Woods (Band; Spanish).

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The Editor's Opinion

Vote "Yes" on 4-year Terms

By Kristi Stephens

When Romulus voters go to the polls on Monday, June 9, we hope that they'll be voting "yes" on Proposal R.

Proponents of four-year terms for our city's elected officials have mustered a number of valid arguments in support of their position, but we believe that there are two which are particularly persuasive.

The first is concerned with attracting qualified people to work in our city's various departments. As things now stand, we can't possibly compete with other communities in hiring the most talented, best educated, and most experienced administrators, simply because we can't promise them a job for more than two years. If we really and truly want to see Romulus grow and improve, we must be able to attract people who have the skills to help us

realize our city's vast – and still mostly untapped – potential.

The second involves giving our officials a reasonable amount of time to implement their ideas. For instance, if we expect our mayor to actively pursue the development of business and residential areas within the City, we have to realize that such developments don't happen overnight. Planning, research, and negotiation are required to bring complex ideas to fruition, and two years is simply not long enough. But if we can give our administrators the assurance of a realistic term of office - and the chance to build a working relationship with City Council without fear that its members may change in two years we'll be giving our government the stability it needs to accomplish long-term goals for the betterment of our entire community.

Letter to the Editor

Banks Family Expresses Thanks

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The Romulus News reserves the right to edit all letters for clarity and, if necessary, brevity.

To the Editor:

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the many, many friends who attended the Mary Ann Banks Memorial Park dedication on May 17.

The efforts of the Mayor, City officials, the Recreation Department, and those who participated in the program will always be remembered.

In honoring Mary Ann in this way, the community has also honored her entire family. For this, we are deeply appreciative.

The family of Mary Ann Banks

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Approximately 150 households and organizations will take part in a city-wide "yard sale" which began Thursday, May 29, and will continue through Sunday, June 1. This "bargain bonanza" was organized by the City of Romulus, which offered residents no-fee permits to encourage participation. For your convenience, the City compiled a list of sale sites, organizing it by geographic area to make possibly unfamiliar streets easier to find.

Numbers in parentheses refer to sale dates:

1=Thurs., May 29; 2=Fri., May 30; 3=Sat., May 31; 4=Sun., June 1

Northeast Section

5931 Middlebelt Salvation Army (1, 2, 3) 6871 Ball Rd. (3, 4) 8633 Hollywood (3, 4) 6541 Merriman (1, 2, 3, 4)

31647 Ecorse (1, 2, 3)

Northwest Section

39222 Montana (1, 2, 3, 4) 6300 Cogswell (2, 3) 39124 Ecorse (1, 2, 3, 4) 6365 Heyer (1, 2, 3, 4) 6033 Heyer (3, 4) 6001 Heyer (1, 2, 3) 6200 Cogswell (2, 3, 4) 5830 Cogswell (3) 6360 Cogswell (3, 4) 38535 Van Born (3, 4) 6190 Cogswell (3, 4) 6078 Heyer (3, 4) 38540 Beverly (1, 2, 3, 4)

Behind McDonald's (Wayne Rd.)

9274 Essex (1, 2, 3, 4) 9294 Essex (1, 2, 3) 9660 Essex (3, 4) 9450 Biddle (1, 2, 3, 4) 9329 Lisa (2, 3, 4) 9462 Lisa (1, 2, 3, 4) 9419 Terry (2, 3, 4) 9431 Terry (2, 3, 4) 34931 Julie (1, 2, 3) 9249 Chamberlain (3, 4) 9274 Chamberlain (1, 2, 3, 4)9265 Washington (1, 2, 3, 4)9361 Washington (1, 2) 9643 Washington (1, 2, 3) 9681 Washington (1, 2, 3) 9693 Washington (1, 2, 3, 4)9724 Marc (1, 2, 3, 4) 9717 Michael (2, 3, 4) 34019 McBride (1, 2) 34648 Michelle (2, 3) 34833 Michelle (2, 3, 4)

Wayne Rd./Wick Rd. Area

34751 Wick (1, 2, 3, 4) 34951 Wick (2, 3) 7580 Wayne (1, 2, 3, 4) 8802 Wayne (1, 2, 3) 9322 Wayne (1, 2, 3, 4) 35664 Smith (1, 2, 3, 4) 35477 Garner (1, 2, 3, 4)

Wick/Tyler/Ozga Area

9261 Ozga (1, 2, 3, 4) 37600 Tyler (1, 2, 3, 4) 9121 Cogswell (1, 2, 3)

Hannan Rd./Chase Rd.

39342 Chase (1, 2, 3)

Wayne Rd./Beverly Rd. Area

6054 Wayne (2, 3) 6943 Wayne (3, 4) Vinewood & Wayne (1, 2, 3) 35351 Beverly (1, 2, 3, 4) 34555 Beverly (1, 2, 3, 4) 34105 Beverly (3, 4) 6312 Irma (1, 2, 3, 4)

Huron River Estates Area

38000 Castle (3) 38321 Castle (1, 2, 3, 4) 13663 Cogswell (1, 2, 3, 4) 37800 Westvale (3) 38258 Westvale (1, 2, 3, 4) 37835 Wabash (1, 2, 3) 39298 Wabash (3, 4) 38320 Wabash (1, 2, 3, 4) 38512 Wade (1, 2, 3, 4) 14119 Hannan (1, 2, 3, 4) 14205 Hannan (2, 3) 14440 Huron River Dr. (1, 2, 3, 4)37541 Barth (1, 2, 3, 4) 38965 Barth (2, 3)

North of Business District

36654 McBride (1, 2, 3, 4) 37018 Herman (1, 2, 3, 4) 37500 Herman (2, 3, 4) 36809 Herman (3) 36922 Herman (1) 35945 Herman (1, 2, 3) 36643 Menton (1, 2, 3, 4) 10015 Romaine (1, 2, 3, 4)

Business District Area

11160 Olive (3) 11563 Olive (1, 2, 3, 4) 11940 Olive (1, 2, 3, 4) 11979 Olive (3, 4) 36735 Porter (1, 4) 36831 Porter (2, 3, 4) 11120 Hunt (2, 3) 35861 Bibbins (1, 2, 3, 4) 11440 Whitehorn (1, 2, 3, 4) 36710 Romulus (1, 2) 36917 Mario Ann Ct. (3, 4) 37043 Mario Ann Ct. (1, 2, 3, 4)12030 Craig (1, 2, 3, 4) 12121 Sharon (2, 3, 4) 36900 Grant (1, 2, 3, 4) 11340 St. Aloysius (1, 2) 11353 St. Aloysius (1, 2, 3, 4) 11439 St. Aloysius (2, 3) 11452 St. Aloysius (1, 2) 10451 Sterling (1, 2, 3, 4)

West of Goddard

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Oakbrook Subdivision

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Middlebelt Rd./ Pennsylvania Rd. Area

28742 Pennsylvania (2, 3) 30220 Pennsylvania (1, 2, 3)30490 Pennsylvania (1, 2, 3, 4)16103 Hollywood (3, 4)

Inkster Rd. North of Pennsylvania Rd.

15738 Inkster (2, 3, 4)

Halecreek Elementary

Area 15685 Springhill (1, 2) 28300 Riverbridge (2, 3, 4)15791 Birch Ct. (1, 2, 3, 4) 16317 Ironstone (3) 13310 Harrison (1, 2, 3, 4) 13575 Harrison (1, 2, 3, 4) 28419 Halecreek (1, 2, 3, 4)30729 Halecreek (2, 3, 4) 16268 Wildfox Ct. (2, 3) 29277 Leroy (1, 2, 3, 4) 30710 Leroy (3, 4) 29278 Riveroak (1, 2, 3) 15802 Knurlwood (1, 2, 3, 4)28573 Burning Tree (2, 3, 4)28707 Forestdale (1, 2, 3, 4)15468 Middlebelt (4) 16801 Middlebelt (2, 3, 4) 28405 Halecreek (2, 3, 4)

Don't Forget To Vote June 9 and June 17

RHS STUDENTS HONORED

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Health Occupations Awards

April Bostain, Tamekia Brown, Shannon Campbell, Gwendolyn Hemmingway, Kathryn Kraft, Sarah Lorenz, Letty Taylor, and Jennifer Ziemczyk.

Kiwanis Club Vocational Awards

Holly Banks (Culinary Arts), Bradley Bennett (T & I Co-op), Tamekia Brown (Health Co-op), Shannon Campbell (Health Occupations), Michael Dalton (Building Trades), Nathan Devine (Mechanical Drawing), Brian Holbrook (Walter Mach), René Koennecke (Architectural Drawing), Sarah Lorenz (Health Careers), Richard McDonald (Welding), Mandi Onufer (Office Co-op), and Lisa Wands (Business Intern).

Athletics Awards

Ryan Hicks (Golf), Andrew Imielowski (Tennis), Myra Lockhart (Track), Keith Miller (Football), Casey Smith (Tennis), Melanie Tomchick (Tennis Manager), and Kionta Turrentine (Cheerleading).

United States Air Force Awards

Ameerah Khalifa (Math) and Joseph Lambert (All-around Science).

United States Marine Corps Awards

Sean Dick (Athletics), Andrew Imielowski (Band), and Rebecca Shelby (Academics).

Presidential Education Awards

Quaylynn Barden, Yolanda Buffington, Kristy Carroll, Nathan Devine, Mellissa Evans, Michael Hatfield, Josiah Joiner, Tiffany Kerekes, Cynthia King, Robert Lazere, Donna Lee, Myra Lockhart, Marie Madison, Kellie Massey, Monica Moore, Ebony Sandusky, Rebecca Shelby, Troy Thompson, Melanie Tomchick, and Rahman Woods.

Michigan Competitive Awards

Yolanda Buffington, Mellissa Evans, Lisa Evitts, Melissa Gunn, Brian Holbrook, Theodore Kesner, Donna Lee, Myra Lockhart, Marie Madison, Yoruba Mitchell, Ruben Ortega, Ebony Sandusky, Rebecca Shelby, Troy Thompson, and Rahman Woods.

Wayne County Executive Academic Achievement Awards

All honor students received the Wayne County Executive Academic Achievement Award.

The Society of Women Engineers Certificate of Merit for Outstanding Performance in Science and Math

Donna Lee, Myra Lockhart, and Melanie Tomchick.

The Society of Women Engineers – Michigan Technological University Chapter

Myra Lockhart and Linda Ryznar.

Officers – Class of 1997

Troy Thompson (President), Marie Madison (Vice President), Sarah Lorenz (Treasurer), Tiffany Faison (Secretary), Cynthia King (Prom Coordinator), and Kionta Turrentine (Student Activities Coordinator).

Scholarships

Tamekia Brown (Ford Motor Company; Special Tree), Yolanda Buffington (Albion College - Webster; Lorena Burton; Flora Dozier; Earl Lamb/Robert Brock Memorial; Phi Beta Kappa; Oscar Ritchie Memorial; Romulus Alumni Association; Xavier - Honors; Xavier -Weninger), Shannon Campbell (Robert Brock), Kristy Carroll (Eastern Michigan University - Recognition of Excellence), Andrace De Yampert (Tuskegee), Sean Dick (Army Reserve National Scholar-Athlete Award: Michigan High SchoolAthletic Association Scholar-Athlete Award - Baseball and Boys' Basketball; Romulus Booster Club), Mellissa Evans (Western Michigan University -Academic), Tiffany Faison (Delta), Melissa Gunn (Eastern Michigan University - Merit Scholar), Brian Holbrook (Romulus Alumni Association), Sara Hudson (Schoolcraft College - Trustee), Josiah Joiner (Romulus Rotary - Academic), Tiffany Kerekes (Eastern Michigan University - Regents; Romulus Rotary - Academic), Ameerah Khalifa (Targe All-around; United Negro College Fund; University of Pennsylvania -Challenge; Xavier - Honors; Xavier -Weninger), Cynthia King (Wayne/Romulus Optimist Club), Myra Lockhart (Romulus Booster Club), Melissa Lukofsky (Ford Motor Co. Award), Marie Madison (Beaumont Tower; Michigan Competitive; Western Michigan University - Academic), Kellie Massey (Tuskegee; Wayne/Romulus Optimist Club), Yoruba Mitchell (PSAT National Achievement), Monica Moore (Eastern Michigan University - Regents; Earl Lamb/ Robert Brock Memorial; Romulus Alumni Association; Romulus Association of School Administrators), Melissa Plave (Schoolcraft College - Trustee), Ebony Sandusky (PSAT National Achievement; Oscar Ritchie Memorial; University of Michigan - Recognition), Rebecca Shelby (Delta Sigma Theta; Ray A. Kroc Youth Award; Michigan Competitive; Romulus Alumni Association; Romulus Rotary - Academic; University of Michigan - Achievement Award), Melanie Tomchick (Eastern-Michigan University - Regents; Romulus Alumni Association), Kionta Turrentine (United Auto Workers/General Motors), Carla Warner (Romulus Rotary - Vocational), Rahman Woods (Michigan State University), and Cherise Yharbrough (Local 909/General Motors Award).

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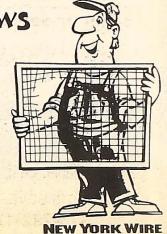
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MDOT, Police Say, "You Can't **Get There From Here"**

In an effort to educate motorists utilizing interstates 275 and 94, the Romulus Police Department is providing information on a number of construction projects which will result in road closings.

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) notified local jurisdictions on Monday, May 12, that northbound I-275 from Telegraph to I-94 (Northline Road) will be closed from the first week in June until November 1997. The closure is due to a contract to rebuild the existing roadway. There will be no access to any northbound travel once construction begins. Southbound I-275 will remain open.

MDOT's official detour for traffic attempting to come north from 1-75 is to continue north to the Telegraph Road exit in the City of Taylor. Motorists will continue northbound up Telegraph Road to I-94 and enter westbound I-94, traveling back to 1-275.

MDOT does not have any official detours for any of the east/west corridors commonly used by Downriver motorists. These corridors include Eureka, Sibley, South Huron, and Will Carleton. It falls to the individual communities to alert the motoring public as to acceptable routes.

The Romulus Police Department would urge motorists who use Eureka Road as their entrance point for North I-275 to consider heading north on Telegraph Road, following the MDOT detour signs to I-94. This is a result of additional roadwork in the City of Romulus that is unrelated to the I-275 project.

Two road construction projects currently underway in Romulus will result in some delays and difficulties in getting on I-94 at either the Middlebelt Road entrance or the Wayne Road entrance.

HELP WANTED

Hair stylist and/or nail tech. Commission or booth rental. Call 565-9283. The Middlebelt Road project consists of a traffic shift just north of Eureka Road, where the County is installing a culvert under Middlebelt. This project should be completed by the end of June. Once open, it will be an easy route to I-94.

Motorists who still wish to use Middlebelt Road should understand that a bottleneck is expected at the construction north of Eureka. Motorists may want to access Middlebelt from either Northline, Goddard, or Wick roads.

The access to I-94 at Wayne Road is limited to entering eastbound I-94 from northbound Wayne Road, and westbound I-94 from southbound Wayne Road. The ramps from northbound Wayne to westbound I-94, and southbound Wayne to eastbound I-94, are closed due to reconstruction of the bridge. This project will also result in delays on both East and West I-94.

The MDOT detour to 1-94 takes you through two additional projects at Wayne Road and at Vining Road. Both projects still have two lanes of travel, but delays will be caused by volume increase.

There will be some additional work on northbound I-275 from I-94 to I-96 beginning in August as the road is resurfaced. The project will be done at night and on weekends, with a reduction in lanes expected.

The Romulus Police Department requests that motorists consider this article's headline: "You Can't Get There From Here." While it's intended as a bit of humor, it certainly rings true. Motorists should plan on delays in the area, and be alert to orange warning signs and detours, which will be posted in an effort to help you survive the delays with your sanity intact. The Romulus Police Department also reminds motorists that fines associated with citations issued in active construction zones are doubled.

Help yourself avoid the additional headaches by planning ahead, knowing the alternate routes, and - most of all - having patience. □

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- Historical Society Holds Gigantic Garage Sale Among those participating in the "City-wide Garage Sale" will be the Romulus Historical Society. The group's gigantic sale will be held from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Friday, May 30, and Saturday, May 31, at Romulus Historic Park (located on Hunt Street near the Post Office). A variety of items will be available, along with Historical Society souvenirs, Kingsley House bricks, coffee, and other refreshments.
- MDOT Hosts Informational Meeting Residents and businesses are encouraged to attend the Michigan Department of Transportation's "Townhall Meeting," which will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, June 3, at the Canton Township Hall/Administration Building (located at 1150 South Canton Center Road). Those in attendance will learn about MDOT's planned improvements to over 31 miles of I-275 (scheduled to begin in mid June) and how they can "move safely from here to there" during construction. Areas of I-275 to be affected will be: 1) beginning of I-275 to Telegraph Road (Monroe County); 2) Telegraph Road to Newberg Road (Monroe County); 3) Newberg Road to Northline Road/I-94 (Wayne County); and 4) Northline Road/I-94 to Five Mile Road/I-96 (Wayne County). Maps with detour routes will be available. (Note: For 24-hour information about MDOT detours and road closures, cal 800-641-6368).
- The Mayor's Chair This month's edition of The Mayor's Chair will feature special guests Diane Hazen (head librarian at the Romulus Public Library), Debbie Dick (director of the City's recreation department), and Linda Norman (program coordinator for the City's senior-citizen center). The program will air on Cable Channel 40 at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 12. Anyone wishing to be present in the audience during the taping of the show must be seated in the City Council Chambers no later than 6 p.m.
- Horseshoe Club Seeks Members Newcomers are welcome to join the Romulus Horseshoe Club, which meets Tuesday evenings at Elmer Johnson Park. Questions? Call James Norville: 422-7530.
- Crafters/Vendors Wanted Volunteers from the Romulus Pump-kin Festival Committee are working hard to create a street festival to be held in downtown Romulus September 20—21, but they need your help to make it a success! The committee is currently taking applications from crafters, merchandise vendors, and food vendors who would like to participate, as well as entertainers who would like to volunteer to show off their talents. For crafter/vendor information or applications, please call Susan Watts at 941-0476 (before 8 p.m.) or Maria Lambert at 942-7543 (before 6 p.m.). For entertainer information, call Ellen Bragg at 942-9207 (between 3 and 8 p.m.).
- Special Needs PAC Needs You! The Romulus Special Needs Parent Advisory Committee wants to serve as a communication link between parents/guardians of "special needs" children and the school district. The group hopes to increase public awareness, put on workshops, and develop a handbook for special services. For more information, call 941-7330 or 941-4249 and leave a message.
- Applications Accepted for Kindergarten Readiness Program The Romulus Community Schools kindergarten readiness program (MDE program) conducted at the Mt. Pleasant Center (located at 39000 Superior) is currently accepting applications. Children must be four years old by December 1, 1997, in order to qualify. This program is free to eligible families, and services all families who meet at least two of the 25 established criteria. For more information, call 941-0610, ext. 40, or drop in at the Center (Room #19).

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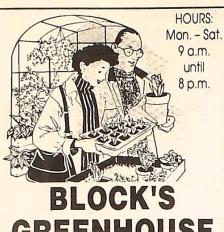
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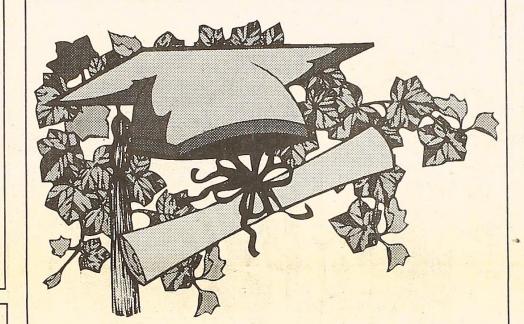
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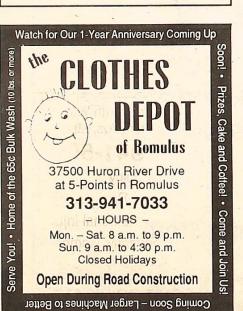
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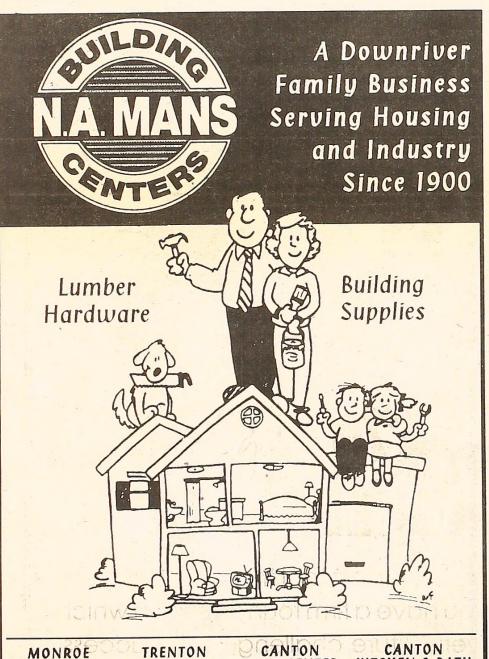
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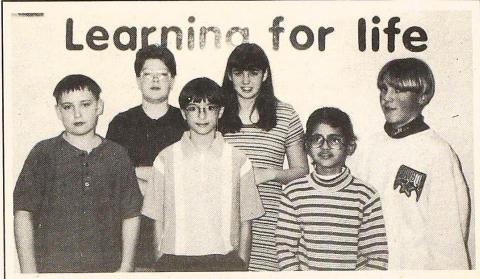
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Halecreek Sixth-graders **Inducted into Honor Society**



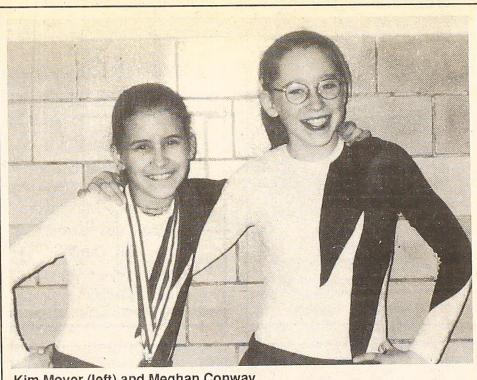
Halecreek sixth-graders inducted in the NHS.

Six sixth-graders from Halecreek Elementary School were inducted into the National Honor Society (NHS) in a ceremony held at Romulus High School on May 13. The students were selected for the honor based on their academic achievement during their elementary school years, as well as the leadership,

school service, and community service that they have demonstrated.

Congratulations and "great expectations" are in order for Halecreek's new National Honor Society members: Glen Farmer, Sarah Gray, Nabila Khan, Allen Phillips, Michael Rushlow, and Mark Woody. 🔾

CGC Vaults to the Top



Kim Moyer (left) and Meghan Conway.

Since September, Meghan Conway of Romulus and Kim Moyer of Carleton have worked very hard to reach the State Finals as Level Five gymnasts. That perseverance finally paid off when the two turned in "personal best" scores at the recent Silver State Championships held in Bay City.

Coach Shane Uson and everyone at the Carleton Gymnastics Club is very

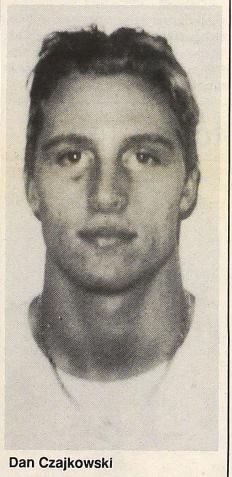
proud of the determined young ladies. Conway - who had lost eight weeks of training due to a broken foot - had only two weeks to prepare for the competition, but the time off seemed to have no bearing on her performance, as she shattered her old high scores on all but one event, and scored a 33.25 in the allaround.

Moyer's sensational performance included personal highs on all four events, placing her fifth in the 12-yearold division with an all-around total of 35.075. Moyer is also the State vaulting champion for 1997.

Best of luck to both of these young athletes as they continue to train over the summer. \square

Students Get Scholarships from Local Organizations





Among the many students receiving scholarships from local organizations were Romulus Police Explorers sergeant Dan Czajkowski, who was awarded \$250 from the Romulus Police Officers Association, and Cynthia King and Kellie Massey, who received funds from the Wayne/Romulus Optimist Club. For the names of other scholarship recipients and their benefactors, see the article on page 1.

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Pursuant to Section 11118 (9) of Part 111, Hazardous Waste Management, of Michigan's Natural Resources Environmental Protection Act 1994 PA 451, as amended (Act 451), notice is hereby given that Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc. (EDS), will submit a Construction Permit Application for a Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facility to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ).

Facility Description and Location

EDS proposes to construct a Liquid Hazardous Waste Storage, Filtering, and Disposal Facility. This facility will dispose of liquids in two deep injection wells, one that has already been permitted by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the MDEQ Geological Survey Division (GSD), and has been constructed to a depth of 4490' below the surface (EDS Well 1-20), and one for which Permit Applications have already been filed with USEPA and GSD (EDS Well 2-20). The facility will be located on a site in the SW 1/4 NW 1/4 SE 1/4 of Section 20, T3S-R9E, or approximately one-quarter mile north of Northline Road, approximately one-quarter mile west of Wahrman Road, and just east of the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad tracks in Romulus, Michigan (see attached map).

Review Process Description

First, the application will be reviewed to determine whether or not it is administratively complete. The process takes approximately thirty (30) days. If the application is incomplete, the local municipality and persons on the facility mailing list will be notified, and the missing information will be required in writing from EDS. When the missing information is provided by EDS and the application is determined to be complete, the MDEQ will immediately notify the local municipality and persons on the facility mailing list, and proceed with a technical review of the application. Within 120 days of receipt of a complete application, the Director of MDEQ will either refer the application to the Site Review Board or notify EDS and the public of its intention to deny the application. The denial process includes a public participation period.

Upon the Director's referral, a Site Review Board is established pursuant to Section 11117 of Act 451 to review the potential impact that the proposed facility will have on the local community. The Board will have 180 days to recommend that the Director either approve or reject the construction permit application. All persons on the facility mailing list will be notified of meetings. Once the Board makes its recommendations, the Director of the Department will appropriately issue or deny the construction permit.

Location of Application Materials

After the application is submitted, it will be available for review at the Department of Environmental Quality, Waste Management Division Office, on the First Floor of the John A. Hannah Office Building, located at the northwest corner of Pine and Allegan streets in Lansing, Michigan, and at the Southern Michigan Field Office, located at 38980 Seven Mile Road in Livonia, Michigan.

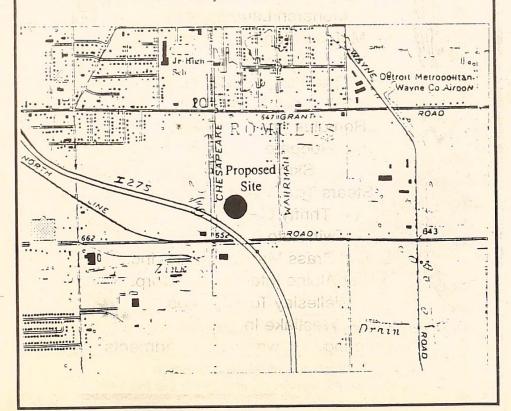
Copies of the application package (after it is submitted) may be ordered from the Department of Environmental Quality Waste Management Division at the address given below for the cost of reproduction.

Department of Environmental Quality Waste Management Division P.O. Box 30241 Lansing, Michigan 48909

For Further Information

Questions regarding the proposed facility should be addressed to Austin Marshall, Vice President of Environmental Disposal Systems, Inc., P.O. Box 74456, Romulus, Michigan 48174 (phone number: 313-955-2100), or to Mr. Kenneth Burda, Chief of the Waste Permit Section of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (phone number: 517–373-0530). Interested persons must write to the address above to be placed on the facility mailing list.

This notice has been placed by EDS pursuant to Section 11118 (9) of Act 451



Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower, and to Linda Norman, Senior Citizens Program Coordinator for the City of Romulus, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column. (Note: For further information about events at the Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins, call 942-6852.)

Legal Aid

Wayne County residents who are at least 60 years of age can receive free legal assistance in most civil matters at Legal Aid clinics to be held on the following dates:

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Thursday, June 12
Sumpter Township Senior Center 23501 Sumpter Road
Belleville 313-461-9373

No appointment is necessary; seniors are seen on a first-come, first-served basis. Programs begin at 9:30 a.m., and continue until everyone (limit: 25 people) who has signed up by 10:30 a.m. has been seen.

For further information, please call 313-964-5310.

Go Bananas at Father's Day Potluck

June's potluck—to be held at 1 p.m. on June 20 — will feature a variety of themes: fathers will be honored, national dairy month-will be celebrated, the (hopeful) arrival of summer will be heralded, and everyone will be going bananas as part of the Romulus Senior Center's second-annual banana-decorating contest.

Decorated bananas can be entered in any of the following categories:

- "eras" (dressed as a flapper or in a zoot suit, as a cowboy from the Old West, etc.),
- "animals" (dressed as a bird, spider, fish, etc.), or
- "occupation" (dressed as a doctor, bum, etc.).

Entries will be judged on originality and use of materials; one prize will be awarded in each category.

Best of all, after the contest has been judged and everyone has enjoyed a dinner of Sloppy Joes and potluck dishes, the "contestants" will be stripped down and used to make banana splits.

As always, bring a dish and bring a

Senior Crime Watch

Local senior citizens interested in learning more about what they can do to prevent crime and promote safety within their neighborhood are invited to attend the Center's next "Senior Crime Watch" meeting, to be held from 9 to 10 a.m. on Thursday, June 5. Officer Tom Ellis of the Romulus Police Department will be on hand to offer his assistance and share his expertise.

Please come: Isn't your protection and peace of mind worth an hour of your time?

Exercise

Following the lead of Richard Simmons on his *Silver Foxes* tape, seniors can exercise at their own pace at the Center every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 9 a.m.

As always, the Center recommends that all participants wear comfortable clothing, and urges anyone unused to physical exertion to consult a physician before beginning.

Shopping Trips

For a transportation cost of \$1.50, Romulus seniors can ride the Center's van to shop at Southland/Target on Friday, June 6. Space is limited; payment of the transportation fee reserves your seat on a first-come, first-served basis. No refunds will be made unless there is a waiting list. Sign up at the Center.

Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other special trips that have been planned by the Romulus Senior Center should call Linda Norman at 942-6852.

- Pair-A-Dice This overnight outing which features gambling aboard a riverboat casino is paradise, indeed, for those who love to wager! The \$61 cost of the trip, which departs June 23, includes round-trip motorcoach transportation; one night's accommodations at the Pair-A-Dice Hotel in Peoria, Illinois; casino gambling aboard the Pair-A-Dice Riverboat; and three full meals.
- who love to flirt with Lady Luck won't want to miss this overnight excursion to the Bay Mills Resort and Casino in Brimley, Michigan. The \$115 cost of the trip, which departs on July 14, includes round-trip motorcoach transportation, one night's accommodations, one breakfast, one dinner, and \$40 total cash back from casinos in St. Ignace and the Soo. Your final cost is only \$75!

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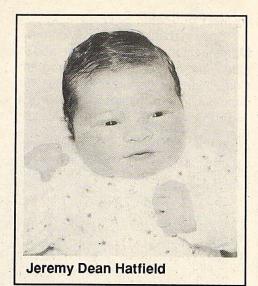
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Jeremy Hatfield

Proudly announcing the birth of their new son, Jeremy Dean Hatfield, are Jeff Hatfield and Angela Terry of Romulus, Michigan.

Jeremy was born in Annapolis Hospital (Wayne, MI) at 5:54 p.m. on Tuesday, March 25, 1997, weighing in at nine pounds, 10 ounces, and measuring 21¹/₂ inches in length.

Also welcoming the new arrival into their family were Jeremy's paternal grandparents, Jesse and Beverly Hatfield of Romulus, as well as his maternal grandparents, Dave and Diane Terry, also of Romulus.



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Planning Commission and in the Merriman Elementary School PTA (of which he has been Vice President and President), as well as involvement in Merriman's Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts programs as a scouting coordinator.

Johnnie Cofield

"Dedication, trust, and determination have been the foundation of my past achievements, and they will continue to be the basis of my success in the future," says Johnnie Cofield, a proud wife, mother, grandmother, and greatgrandmother who has lived in Romulus for over 42 years.

Cofield describes herself as a person who always keeps her word – one who follows through whenever she makes a commitment: "I have dedicated my life to the welfare and education of young people, and I look forward to the opportunity to continue that commitment as a member of the Romulus Board of Education."

Cofield – who has grandchildren of her own currently enrolled in Romulus schools – recognizes the importance of the role of public schools. "Our young people are our future," she explains, "and I want to do my part to make that future a success by helping our children get a good education."

Besides working with the Romulus Head Start program for more than seven years, Cofield has also helped other organizations set up their own day-care programs. She is a member of both the Transfiguration Church and the Order of the Eastern Star.

Eva Webb

"It is imperative that we continue to improve our students' preparation for the world of employment," insists Eva Webb, a resident of Romulus for the past 25 years, "and we can do this most effectively by making education a community-wide responsibility."

Webb believes that children learn best when their educations proceed both inside and outside the classroom. "We all have something to contribute to our young people," she explains. "Parents, teachers, business people, and other community members need to work together. Only by combining all our resources can we give our kids the skills they need to succeed in life."

Webb hopes that voters will make an extra effort to get to the polls on Monday, June 9: "I know that School Board elections often receive less attention than City elections, but we need to remember that they are just as important. It's the students of today who will become the mayors and city councilmen of tomorrow – and if we want our young people to be prepared for the future, we have to make education a priority today."

The 25-year Romulus resident has a long history of community involvement. She is a former member of the Citizens Advisory Council of the Downtown Development Authority, a cofounder of the Romulus Early Pioneers, and a current member of the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce. A "prayer warrior" of her church, Webb is also a former den mother and PTA secretary. Her interest in serving Romulus is nothing new, as evidenced by her former candidacy for Romulus City Council. \(\sigma\)

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Obituaries

Jessie Marie (Haga) Crandall

Jessie Marie (Haga) Crandall died on Tuesday, May 27, 1997. The 79year-old resident of Romulus, Michigan, now joins her beloved husband, Floyd, who died on November 2, 1996.

Born September 30, 1917, Jessie was raised in Muskegon, Michigan. The daughter of John and Gertrude Haga was the last of her immediate family.

After completing junior college and business college, Jessie went on to train as a Navy nurse. During the course of that training, she cared for many soldiers, and eventually fell in love with one patient in particular: Floyd Crandall. Following their marriage, Floyd and Jessie lived in Romulus for most of their lives. Employment as caretakers at the Wayne County 4-H Fairgrounds sparked a move to Belleville, Michigan, but retirement brought the couple back to Romulus to reside at the Romulus Tower senior-citizen apartment complex.

Jessie is survived by her daughter, Rita Marie (Crandall) Tyler; her son-inlaw, David Wayne Tyler; two granddaughters, Stephanie Renee and Shannon Marie Tyler; one brother, Bruce Crandall; and two nephews, Randy and Terry Crandall.

Arrangements were made by Voran Funeral Home (Allen Park, MI). Interment was at Mt. Hope Cemetery (Livonia, MI).

Frank P. Montie

Frank P. Montie of Sumpter Township, Michigan, died on Friday, May 9, 1997, at the age of 82.

Frank is survivved by his wife, Alice L. Montie; three sons, Theodore, Floyd, and Frank Montie; one daughter, Shirley A. Moody; three stepsons, Ted, Fred, and Dewayne Randall; two stepdaughters, Peggy Crawford and Lou Ellen Dick; 19 grandchildren; and 21 greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, May 15, at Pawlus Funeral Home (Belleville, MI). Cremation rites were accorded at Michigan Memorial Park (Flat Rock, MI).

Mark Alan Stahl

Mark Alan Stahl of Grand Prairie, Texas, died on Saturday, May 17, 1997. He was 29 years old.

A native of Garden City, Michigan, Mark was born on July 20, 1967.

He is survived by his wife, Raquel Ruiz; his father, Alan Stahl (Ypsilanti, MI); his mother, Carol Sparks (Taylor, MI); one brother, Jeremy Sparks Sr. (Taylor, MI); one sister, Suzanne Stahl (Ypsilanti, MI); his paternal grandfather, David Stahl (Dearborn Heights, MI); and his maternal grandparents, Ellis and Marylou Pennington (Romulus, MI).

Services were held Saturday, May 24, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with Reverend Bill Eversaw officiating. Burial was at Romulus Cemetery.



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